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Washington, D.C. 20505

National Intelligence Council

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Mr. Albert Wohlstetter

Dear Albert:

Thank you for your letter of July 20th, filling us in on the course of the work of your commission and your request for support from us. We stand prepared to be of general assistance where we can, but must remind you that our resources are heavily booked and must be used with very clear limitations on their time.

Our work on the Northwestern TVD is not yet complete, and we do not yet have a draft ready for internal review. Coordination is still further away. Given the specific interest in this paper, however, we are prepared to make the drafter, Capt. Larry Prior, available to brief you or a representative on his work to date and--if appropriate--to look at the work in progress. You will understand, of course, that such a draft carries no Community imprimatur in its uncoordinated form, and given its current status, we cannot release it. If you have other interests in Prior beyond discussing the Northwestern TVD paper, you would need to check with his parent office, NIOC, probably through the Director of Naval Intelligence, RAdm Bill Studeman. Prior is only on part-time loan to us from NOIC, specifically to work on the paper.

We could make our Assistant NIO for Near East and South Asia, [redacted] available to you at some point to discuss Southwest Asia issues. He is indeed well qualified to do so. You will appreciate, however, that his time is under exceptionally heavy demand. He is the key player on many of the fast-track papers that we continue to be tasked to complete in support of ongoing policy concerns in his region. We could make him available for a morning or an afternoon here or there, but any longer commitment of his time would have to be scrutinized very closely.

We appreciate the importance of the work that you and your commission are engaged in and are most interested in seeing your conclusions. We are happy to assist in this effort but regret the very real constraints on our time.


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Sincerely,

  
Maj Gen Frank B. Horton III, USAF  
Chairman

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